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Chamber of Commerce Has Become
Known Throughout the Country
As One of the Most Progres-
sive Civic Organizations.

Has Stood Behind All Movements
Looking Toward the Betterment
of the People Who Make
This Their Home.

BY CLARENCE B. DOUGLAS.
(Secretary.)

In the Tulsa Chamber of Com-
merce, predecessor to the Tulsa
Commercial club, this city has
perhaps the best known and most
effective commercial organization
in the entire United States, and
for this, the writer takes little
credit, for the reason that he has
only recently been identified with
the organization.

That Tulsa, Oklahoma, is bet-
ter known, nationally, than any
city of its age in the world, is
due almost entirely to the efforts
of the Chamber of Commerce and
its predecessor, the Commercial
club.

That the great city of Okla-
homa has been built here; that
Tulsa is the financial center of
the Mid-Continent field; that it
is the home of so many million-
aires; that it is the ranking city
in railroad tonnage and passen-
ger business; that it is the rank-
ing city in bank deposits, bank
clearings and building permits;
that it is the nerve-center of the
industrial southwest, is alto-
gether owing to the energy and
enterprise of its people, focused
and directed by the old Com-
mercial club and the Chamber of
Commerce.

Without this organization, with-
out the united efforts of its mem-
bership, Tulsa now would prob-
ably be a whistling station on

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towns as old as Tulsa. There
would be the usual string of
street business section of wooden
shacks and sand-dunes. There
would be no water system, no
sewer system, no paved streets,
no modern school buildings, no
stately churches, no parks or
boulevards, no street cars lines
and probably not even an electric
light plant. There would be no
Convention hall, no Kendall col-
lege, no office buildings, no cos-
mopolitan citizenship. There
would be only those things found
in a whistling station such as
every traveler through Oklahoma
is familiar with, and the popula-
tion and enterprise of Tulsa
would be concentrated at some
other point in the Mid-Continent
field.

The Commercial club of Tulsa
raised and paid the bonuses for
all the railroads after the Frisco
was built in. The members of
the Commercial club saw to it
that proper accommodations were
provided here for the oil men in
the early days, when they had to
pass through a larger town than
Tulsa to get to their field of op-
eration.

Behind Every Movement.

The driving force of Tulsa's
commercial organization has been
behind every street car extension,
every new paving district, every
additional industrial plant, every
important public enterprise since
the city was established, and has
been the great potent factor in
the city development along the
lines of education, culture, fi-
nance, commerce and industry.
The members of this organization
have met every crisis in the af-
fairs of this city, promptly, vigor-
ously and effectively, and have
made every man and woman vis-
iting the city, for the past ten
years, feel that here is a good
place to build a home and live.
It has shown the city to thousands
of people, through automobile
tours. It has kept the Tulsa date
line before millions of readers.
It has brought here and enter-
tained conventions of national
importance and has made Tulsa's
hospitality famous wherever the
word is spoken.

Seven Hundred Members.

The organization, at this time,
has a membership of seven hun-
dred, and in that membership is

found, not only the men who do
things in Tulsa, in the Mid-
Continent field and in Oklahoma,
but men well known in the
financial and industrial centers
of the east, and whose names and
faces are familiar in New York,
Philadelphia and Chicago where
men speak in millions when re-
ferring to their business trans-
actions.

The time has gone by, if it ever
existed, when a successful Cham-
ber of Commerce becomes the
hot-air organization of a given
city. The time has gone by, if it
ever existed, when the managing
secretary of such an organization
is known as the official liar of
his community. The time has
come when the commercial or-
ganization is recognized as the
city building force of its com-
munity and when the secretary,
if he does his duty and is capable,
should be one of the most useful
men in the city in which he is
located.

This organization in the past
has justified the expectations of
its most ardent promoters and
members. The policy of the ex-
ecutive officers is to continue to
uphold the reputation it has
earned, and if possible, make of
it an even more effective force in
building here a greater Tulsa.

TENNIS IS OLDEST OF GAMES.

Football Dates From Fourteenth
Century—It Edified Archery.
Tennis is, perhaps, the oldest of
modern games. It is said to have
originated in the ball games of the
Greeks and Romans. The racket was
introduced during the fifteenth cen-
tury in France, where the game was
very popular, and imported into En-
gland about the same time.

Of the origin of cricket we know
but little, though it was possibly iden-
tical with the club ball of the four-
teenth century, and was first called
"handyn and handouts."

Bowling greens and alleys were
once plentiful in London, and Henry
VIII made an alley at Whitehall. The
earliest trace of the game appears in
an old print of about six centuries
ago.

Few, perhaps, know that London's
famous thoroughfare Pall Mall de-
rived its name from an old "Pallie
Mallet" court which stood on the site
three hundred years since. This game
was a form of croquet.

Golf, or "goff," seems to have made
its first appearance in the bandy ball
of Elizabeth's reign, which was played
with a club tipped with horn. Prince
Henry, the son of James I, occasion-
ally played at this game, which was
very popular among the young nobles
of his day.

Football became such a rage with
the London youths of the fourteenth
century that a law was passed to pro-
hibit it being played, as archery—
then an important branch of educa-
tion—was becoming thoroughly ne-
glected. King Jamie, who seems to
have had his own idea of games, de-
clared that it was a very rough sport,
and that the players "are much more
likely to be lamed than made strong."

King Gasoline.
When roses trim the garden fence
And woods and fields are green,
The world allegiance swears anew
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The horn his merry voice,
His crown a rubber tire begemmed
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He is a gypsy monarch, too,
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—Minna Irving, in Leslie's.

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